

CLAIMS

We claim:

1. An apparatus for receiving and securing an item, comprising:
a slide card comprising an engaging element and at least one tray receiving area;
at least one pre-formed tray, attached to said tray receiving area, configured to receive and hold at least one portable item;
an outer sleeve configured to receive said card and attached tray, comprising a locking element configured to connect with said engaging element at a locking position; and,
a release element integral to said outer sleeve, configured to disconnect said engaging element from said locking element.
2. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said card is constructed of a first material and said tray is constructed of a second material.
3. The apparatus of claim 2, wherein said second material is plastic.
4. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said engaging element is positioned on said tray.
5. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said tray comprises at least one receiving recess configured to receive and hold said portable item.
6. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said outer sleeve further comprises an interior aperture configured to connect said engaging element at a stopping position.
7. An apparatus for receiving and holding an item, comprising:
a slide card constructed of a first material, comprising at least a first panel and at least one tray receiving area located on said first panel;
at least one pre-formed tray constructed of a second material and comprising at least one receiving recess, attached to said card at said tray receiving area; and,
an outer sleeve defining a void, comprising an open end configured to permit said card and attached tray to translate in and out of said void.

8. The apparatus of claim 7, wherein said slide card further comprises an engaging element connected to at least one of said first panel and said tray.

9. The apparatus of claim 8, wherein said outer sleeve further comprises a locking element configured to releasably connect to said engaging element at a locking position.

10. The apparatus of claim 9, wherein said outer sleeve further comprises a release configured to disconnect said engaging element from said locking element.

11. The apparatus of claim 10, wherein said outer sleeve further comprises a stopping element configured to connect to said engaging element at a stopping position.

12. An apparatus for receiving and securing an item, comprising:
a slide card comprising means for engaging and at least one tray receiving area;
at least one pre-formed tray, attached to said tray receiving area, configured to receive and hold at least one portable item;
an outer sleeve defining a void configured to receive said card and attached tray, comprising an open end and means for locking said means for engaging; and,
means for releasing, integral to said outer sleeve, configured to disengage said means for engaging from said means for locking.

13. The apparatus of claim 12, wherein said means for engaging comprises an element positioned on at least one of said card and said tray configured to cooperatively connect with said means for locking.

14. The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said means for locking comprises an element positioned within said void configured to cooperatively connect with said means for engaging.

15. The apparatus of claim 14, wherein said means for releasing comprises a mechanism positioned along the exterior of said outer sleeve and proximate to said locking element.

16. The apparatus of claim 12, further comprising a means for stopping.

17. A foldable tray card formed of contiguous panels, comprising:
an engaging panel defined by a first edge and spaced apart hinge;

a second panel defined by said hinge and a spaced apart second edge;
a tray integral to said second panel;
at least one receiving recess located within said tray, configured to receive and hold an item; and,
a third panel hingedly attached to at least one of said second edge and said tray; configured to fold over and cover said item.

18. The apparatus of claim 17, wherein said panels and said tray are constructed using a thermo-forming process.

19. The apparatus of claim 17, wherein said panels and said tray are constructed using an injection molding process.

20. A method of resisting access to an item, comprising the steps of:
providing a slide card comprising a base panel;
attaching a pre-formed tray comprising at least one receiving recess to said base panel;
providing a means for engaging associated with at least one of said card and said tray;
placing an item in said receiving recess;
providing an outer sleeve with an open end and adjacent void, said sleeve further comprising a means for locking;
aligning said card with said open end;
orienting said means for engagement with said means for locking; and
inserting said card and tray fully into said void;
causing said means for engaging and said means for locking to releasably connect.

21. The method of claim 20, wherein said step of providing an outer sleeve further comprises providing an outer sleeve having a means for releasing, said means for releasing configured to disconnect said means for engaging and said means for locking.

22. The method of claim 21, further comprising the step of manipulating said means for releasing to withdraw said tray at least partially from said void.

23. The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of withdrawing said item from said recess.